

Amendments to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 3 of the specification as follows:

The filamentary means of the present invention can be designed to deliver a variety of different agents, depending on the porosity and composition of the porous sheath. The agent delivered with the filamentary means of the present invention is preferably selected from the group consisting of: cells, growth factors, drugs, recombinant molecules, cell signaling molecules, cell recognition factors, cell binding site molecules, cell attachment molecules, cell adhesion molecules, proteins, glycoproteins, carbohydrates, naturally occurring polymers, synthetic polymers, semi-synthetic polymers, and recombinant polymers.